

EDITORIAL NOTES.

THE Grand Chapter of R. A. Masons recently organized in New Brunswick was recognized by the Grand Chapter of Massachusetts at its regular quarterly convention on Tuesday evening, Sept. 20, and a cordial welcome extended to it.

GOULD'S HISTORY OF FREEMASONRY.—We learn that an American edition of Gould's History of Freemasonry, supplemented by Bro's. Drummond, of Maine, Carson, of Ohio, and Parvin, of Iowa,—is about to be published by John C. Yorston & Co., of New York.

When is the History of Freemasonry in the Dominion of Canada to be written and published?

We have the material, the means, and the men, if those best qualified can be induced to undertake the work.

A Canadian supplement to Bro. Yorston & Co.'s American edition of Bro. Gould's *magnum opus* might possibly be secured if immediate steps were taken therefor.

A. & A. S. RITE.—We have received a very neatly got up copy of the Annual Proceedings of the Vermont Council of Deliberation of the A. & A. S. Rite, held at Burlington, Vt., U.S., on the 18th of June last. Ill. Bro. Geo. O. Taylor, 39°, Commander-in-Chief, presiding. His annual address is of special interest and marked ability. This Rite is evidently flourishing in the Green Mountain State and appears to be quite free from the sub-divisions existing in so many other States. The Vt. Council has two active and five honorary members of the Supreme Council of the Northern jurisdiction of the United States, and it is composed of one Consistory, one Chapter of Rose Croix, two Councils of Princes of Jerusalem, and five Lodges of Perfection, each having a goodly membership.

WE have received "El Boletín Masonico," a pamphlet beautifully printed in the Spanish language, on very fine paper, consisting of 224 pages, and comprising the numbers for January, February, March and April, 1887. It is the official organ of the Supreme Grand Orient of the United States of Mexico. The first page of the cover of "El Boletín," displays a beautifully expressive design, representing the "Angel of Light" flying over a magnificent city whose edifices are of the style of architecture of all nations, ancient and modern, and whose streets are thronged with joyous appearing cosmopolites. The two pillars, J. and B., are at the left and right in the foreground, and the perspective of plain, mountain, ocean, cloudless sky and rising sun, is simply charming.

THE FREEMASON'S CHRONICLE, London, England:—Deep regret is expressed at the appearance in the above journal in its issue of Sept. 10, of a letter from Bro. J. Fletcher Brennan, of Cincinnati, (Ohio,) under the title of the "History of Crime," in which the writer accuses Bro. Charles E. Meyer, of Philadelphia, Penn., of "forging" an extract from a so-called "Henry Bell" letter re the existence of a Lodge of Freemasons, claimed to have been in existence in Philadelphia in 1731. At present, no one appears to believe that Bro. Meyer could have been guilty of any such "forgery," and Bros. Hughan and Woodford have inserted letters in the Chronicle in defence of Mr. Meyer, and in condemnation of the course pursued by Bro. Brennan. The Keystone, of Philadelphia, has taken a similar stand. Bro. Meyer may have been mistaken or misled in regard to the authenticity of the "Henry Bell" letter, but that appears to be all that can be said about it. The present known data seem to favor the claim of Philadelphia to be the Masonic mother city of the United States.